

## HALL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING SEPTEMBER 30, 2008

The Hall County Board of Supervisors met September 30, 2008, by published call in the County Board meeting room, 121 South Pine, Grand Island.

CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bud Jeffries.

INVOCATION - Invocation was given by Scott Arnold.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – The Pledge of Allegiance was given in unison.

ROLL CALL - Present on roll call were, Scott Arnold, Jim Eriksen, Robert Humiston, Bud Jeffries, Pamela Lancaster and Robert Rye and Daniel Wagoner. Also present was Deputy Attorney Jack Zitterkopf and Board Assistant Stacey Ruzicka.

NOTICE OF OPEN MEETING LAW - Chairman Jeffries read the notice of open meeting law.

Rye made a motion and Lancaster seconded to approve the following by consent agenda:

1. Placed on file the minutes of the September 16, 2008 meeting
2. 6b Set the bid opening for asphalt overlay project in Saddle Club Subdivision for Tuesday October 28, 2008 at 10:00 a.m.
3. 8 Approved Resolution #08 –082 For collateral for Bank of Doniphan in the amount of \$100,000.00
4. 9 Placed on file the Hall County Inventories
5. 10 a Approved Resolution 08-0080 To approve the vacation of Ski Enterprise Subdivision
6. 10b Approved Resolution #08-081 Approving the final plat of Ski Enterprise Second Subdivision
7. 10c Placed on file communications fro Regional Planning Commission
8. 12 Approved the bi weekly pay claims
9. 13 Placed on file the statistical report from the Hall County Attorney
10. 14 Placed on file The Hall County Treasurer's Miscellaneous Receipts
11. 15 Placed on file communications
12. 2 Lancaster added item #2 Approved and authorized the Chair to sign the Hope Harbor lease agreement

Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster, Rye and Wagoner all voted yes and one voted no. Motion carried.

9:05 a.m. Held a Board of Equalization meeting.

Hall County Treasurer Doris Mason stated that with some of the issues regarding the bank buy outs there were some concerns and also Supervisor Pam Lancaster called her. Ms. Mason stated that when she called the banks she was assured that they were federally insured and there should be no problems.

Lancaster stated that the NACO board was invited to participate in a phone conversation with the Treasurer's Department so she called County Treasurer Doris Mason regarding this issue.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – Chairman Jeffries called for public participation and no one resounded.

5 PRESENTATION BY CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT - Eriksen stated that invited Theresa Anderson with the Health Department to update the board.

Theresa Anderson and Ryan King were present. She distributed information regarding the Health Department budget and gave a power point presentation highlighting some of the services offered to the public.

Jeffries questioned why the Health Department does not spray mosquitoes in Fireside for Farmstead Subdivisions and also in the other villages in Hall County. Ms. Anderson stated that the villages take care of their own spraying and they do not spray any other rural areas. She stated that it is important to help control the West Nile virus and the spraying is effective. Because of the recent flooding it has been very important to spray this year. They do not spray around the lake areas because they do not want to cause a negative affect on the native habitat.

Lancaster questioned what the state health department suggests regarding the mosquito spraying.

Ms. Anderson stated that they have received a grant for the trapping of mosquitoes to test them for the West Nile virus. Mr. King stated that there is a specific breed that carries the virus. This grant does reimburse them for some of the spraying fees also.

Eriksen questioned what the mosquito count has been and Mr. King stated that it has been extremely high in the last 10 days.

The board thanked them for the information.

6a PUBLIC WORK CASEY SHERLOCK UPDATE REGARDING ROAD PROJECTS – Wagoner requested that Mr. Sherlock update the full board regarding the projects that the department is working on. Mr. Sherlock stated that he is busy keeping up with the road repairs because of the rain. He has also been working to unplug the culverts and has graded some of the ditches to provide better drainage. He has also hauled some clay to 1R road because it is so sandy and they have done some asphalt patching. There is an area on Shady Bend Road that was completely washed out because the bottom of the culvert was wood and it washed out. They have replaced it with concrete and he hope this will prevent another wash out.

Mr. Sherlock stated that there is an area on East Bismark Road where the water is covering the road and this needs to be addressed. He sent letters to the residents

noting the county's liability to prevent the water standing on the road and the fact that he will have to grade the ditches and also he may have to tear out and replace two driveways. He also stated that Airport Road by Meyer's feed lot needs to be repaired he is going to cut the hill and make a better slope so the water will drain better. He stated that the department is also hoping to get more of the ditches mowed.

Lancaster stated that she had a friend state that the rural roads are repaired quickly if and when there is a wash out and they are also marked. Casey stated that during the flooding he used every barricade that he had and he had to borrow barricades and finally make flags to mark all of the damaged areas.

Casey stated that he received a request for a street light on Farmstead Road and Dean Street but in his opinion the residents would need to have the city put up a pole and pay for the services.

He stated that the FEMA representative has been in his office getting the paperwork for damages from the flooding. There are 14 townships that they are addressing and he has signed a request for \$40,000.00 for 4 townships so he is sure the county will receive some funding.

Eriksen stated that there are dollars in the public works budget to repair and gravel the roads and they hope to go out for bids in early spring. They will not know the cost per mile but hope to get some of the roads repaired.

Casey also updated the board on the GIS Department. He stated that they have added the new soil map and the parcel layers and have turned the information over to the County Assessor's office. He is also advertising to fill the GIS CAD/Tech position. When some one is hired he would like to have Jack come back and do some training. This can be addressed by the committee. He also asked if the committee would assist him with the applications.

Eriksen stated that he has two committee's and he can work with them and come back to the board with recommendations.

Wagoner stated he had a call from a subdivision questioning if they could use asphalt instead of concrete. This should be referred to Chad Nabity with Regional Planning.

**7 FACILITIES COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS DISCUSS AND APPROVE**  
**OCCUPANCY OF THE PARK HOUSE** – Lancaster stated that during the budget session discussion was held regarding benefit reporting for the occupation of the park house. It was determined that if a person is salaried rather than paid on an hourly basis the house could be included in a benefit package.

The committee discussed this and they would be able to have the house available if the new director would like to live there. The committee recommends holding off renting the house until next year when a new director is hired.

Lancaster made a motion and Arnold seconded to leave the park house unoccupied until a fulltime director is hired.

Wagoner questioned what would be done if the director does not want to live in the house. The issue would go back to the committee to see what can be done to comply with the federal regulations.

The vote on the motion to leave the park house vacant was taken. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster, Rye and Wagoner all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

7b DISCUSS AND APPROVE RELOCATION OF JUVENILE ATTENTION CENTER – Lancaster stated that the committee discussed and there is space in the County Office Building that was previously occupied by the Correction Department transition team that could be used for the attention center, but this could be subject to change if necessary.

Lancaster made a motion and Arnold seconded to move the Juvenile Attention Center to the County Office Building.

Eriksen stated that this space could be used without making many changes and it is convenient. With the future construction it would be better to move the attention center to this location.

The vote on the motion was taken. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster Rye and Wagoner all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

BOARD MEMBER'S REPORTS – Humiston questioned if there was a resolution regarding the park house. Arnold stated that it was just a motion and vote.

Eriksen – He reported that the Insurance Committee will be meeting to go over the RFP for the health insurance and he will report back to the County Board in two weeks.

Lancaster – She stated that she wanted to update the board regarding the projects that will be addressed by the building and grounds department. She read a list of 16 projects that they hope to address this year. She also reported that they are working on the parking lot at the County Attorney's office.

Building and Grounds Director Chuck Kaufman was present and reported that they are working with Jeff Palik on the plans for the parking lot and County Attorney Mark Young was included in this discussion.

Jeffries stated that he received information from the Public Defenders' Office that Howard County is interested in working with Hall County on a joint public defender's office and a possible interlocal agreement.

Wagoner stated that he was invited to attend the grand opening of the ethanol plant in Wood River but it has been postponed until spring 2009.

NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS – Chairman Jeffries called for new or unfinished business and no one responded.

EXECUTIVE SESSION REGARDING PERSONNEL EVALUATION – Lancaster made a motion and Eriksen seconded to go into executive session regarding the personnel evaluation. This executive session is to prevent needless harm or injury to an individual. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster Rye and Wagoner all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

Present during the executive session were Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster, Rye and Wagoner. Also present was Stacey Ruzicka.

10:25 a.m. executive session

10:35 a.m. Wagoner made a motion and Eriksen seconded to go out of the executive session. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster Rye and Wagoner all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

Chairman Jeffries stated that no other subject was discussed during the executive session and no action was taken.

Lancaster made a motion and Wagoner seconded to refer this evaluation to the personnel committee and to present to the employee. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster Rye and Wagoner all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m. The next meeting will be October 14, 2008 at 9:00 a.m.

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Marla J. Conley Hall County Clerk